

Comforts and Beauties of Religion.

So we may be mistaken in regard to the comforts of this life. But not so in the life to come if our present life has been that of a Christian. Oh! what a disappointment to us when we find ourselves discontented and unhappy. Words fail to describe the feeling and heart-swellings and the many long sighs that are taken over the disappointments in this life. Let us throw aside looking continually after the comforts of the present life and let our minds be more engaged in looking after that which will give eternal comfort. We must in the first place know that we possess morality and on this silver link join the golden chain of religion, which will only refine the silver link and in so doing, we will meet our eternal happiness. Oh! blessed thought that we can be made comfortable throughout the endless age of eternity is a thought that should agitate the mind of every person who have come to the years of accountability. We look after transient comfort very eagerly. But O how sad it is in this enlightened country of ours, to find so many persons careless and indolent in regard to their eternal welfare. When we think of the great eternity before us, how can we for one moment dare com-

I now come to the second part of my subject, viz. Beauties of Religion. Who is here tonight, that does not admire the beautiful? Whatever pleases the eye or mind, we say it is beautiful. We look out upon the things of nature and we are made to say a thousand times, 'Oh how beautiful!' We listen to the voice of some sweet singer and we are made to exclaim what beautiful singing. In the lovely Spring-time as I behold the landscape putting on her robe of beautiful green and followed with the decorations of all the flowers, I say what can be more beautiful.

shall always be beautiful, and not only beautiful but comfortable. Oh may we all live so careful in this life, that when we come down to the Jordan of death and are called to cross its chilly waters, may we land safe on the ever-green shore, and be permitted to join that innumerable company and with palms of victory in our hand and songs of praises on our lips sing that new song forever and forever throughout the endless ages of eternity.

Tell me not in mournful numbers
Life is but an empty dream
For the soul is dead that slumbers ;
And things are not what they seem.
Life is real ! life is earnest,
And the grave is not its goal,
Dust thou art to dust returnest,
Was not spoken of the soul.
Trust no future how'er pleasant
Let the dead past bury its dead ;
Act, act in the living present
Heart within and God o'er head.
Let us then be up and doing,
With a heart for any fate.
Still achieving still pursuing
Learn to labor and to wait.

BROWN.—Mary Florence Brown, of Nappanee, Ind., died May 4th, and was burried May 5th. Aged 2 years and 8 months. Services by

GROVE.—In the territory of the Stony Creek congregation, Somerset County, Pa., April 18, 1889, Mrs. Louvina Grove, aged 42 years, 8 month and 7 days. Funeral services conducted by the writer.

JOHN H. KNEPPER.

OSBORN.—Died April 30, 1889, in the Indian Creek Congregation, Elkhart county, Ind., Bro. Wm. Osborn, aged 59 years. Bro. Osborn was called from time to eternity without a moment's warning. He and his daughter Eliza, aged 16, went to the city of Elkhart to do some trading. Having finished their errand they started for home, but had got only a few rods from the place of starting, when he dropped the lines and would have fallen out of the buggy had not his daughter caught him and he expired immediately without uttering a word. He leaves a wife and two daughters to mourn their loss and a large circle of friends who sympathizes with the family in their sorrow. He will be missed in the community and in the church. May we all take warning. We know not what a day may bring forth. Funeral sermon by the writer

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He takes a dose of whatever he happens to have in the house—some liver renovator, kidney evaporator, or heart enlarger—and sets forth saying if he isn't better tomorrow he will send for the doctor.

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